

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A manufacturing method of a semiconductor device, which comprises depositing a metal film made of including an aluminum alloy over a semiconductor substrate, and etching the metal film with a plasma of a mixture gas containing a Cl₂ gas, a BCl₃ gas and a CH₂Cl₂ gas.

2. (currently amended) The [[A]] method of Claim 1, wherein the pressure of the mixture gas is 0.6 Pa or greater, but not greater than 1.5 Pa but 0.6 Pa or greater.

3. (currently amended) The [[A]] method of Claim 1, wherein the CH₂Cl₂ gas has a purity of 99.99% or greater.

4. (currently amended) The [[A]] method of Claim 1, wherein the plasma is generated using an electromagnetic wave within a frequency range of 300 MHz to 1 GHz.

5. (currently amended) The [[A]] manufacturing method of a semiconductor device, which comprises forming a

multilayer interconnection of metals including aluminum over a semiconductor substrate, wherein, for upon etching of the metal multilayer interconnection, a plasma of a mixture gas containing a Cl₂ gas, a BCl₃ gas and a CH₂Cl₂ gas is used.

6. (currently amended) The [[A]] method of Claim 5,
wherein the pressure of the mixture gas is 0.6 Pa or
greater, but not greater than 1.5 Pa but 0.6 Pa or greater.

7. (currently amended) The [[A]] method of Claim 5,
wherein the CH₂Cl₂ gas has a purity of 99.99% or greater.

8. (currently amended) The [[A]] method of Claim 5,
wherein the plasma is generated using an electromagnetic wave within a frequency range of 300 MHz to 1 GHz.

9. (currently amended) The [[A]] manufacturing
method of a semiconductor device, which comprises forming metal films by stacking a first TiN film, an Al film and a second TiN film successively over a semiconductor substrate, and etching said first TiN film, said Al film
and s cond TiN film ~~the metal films~~ with a plasma of a mixture gas of a Cl₂ gas, a BCl₃ gas and a CH₂Cl₂ additive

gas, wherein the CH₂Cl₂ gas is added in an amount of 0 to 4% for upon etching of the second TiN film, and whereas the amount of the CH₂Cl₂ gas is increased to 5 to 30% during etching of the Al film.

10. (currently amended) The [[A]] manufacturing method of a semiconductor device, which comprises depositing a metal film made of including an aluminum alloy over a semiconductor substrate, forming a resist mask over the metal film, etching the metal film with a plasma of a mixture gas of a Cl₂ gas, a BCl₃ gas and a CH₂Cl₂ gas, and removing the resist mask with a plasma of a mixture gas containing an F element and an O element.

11. (currently amended) The [[A]] manufacturing method of a semiconductor device, which comprises depositing a metal film made of including an aluminum alloy over a semiconductor substrate, forming patterns at a wiring pitch less than 500 nm over the metal film, and etching the metal film with a plasma of a mixture gas containing a Cl₂ gas, a BCl₃ gas and a CH₂Cl₂ gas.

12. (currently amended) The [[A]] manufacturing
method of a semiconductor device, which comprises
depositing a metal film made of including an aluminum alloy
over a semiconductor substrate, forming, over the metal
film, first mask patterns at a first wiring pitch and
second mask patterns at a second wiring pitch wider than
the first wiring pitch, and etching the metal film films
with a plasma of a mixture gas containing a Cl₂ gas, a BCl₃,
gas and a CH₂Cl₂ gas.

13. (currently amended) The [[A]] manufacturing
method of a semiconductor device, which comprises
depositing a metal film made of including an aluminum alloy
over a semiconductor substrate, forming, over the metal
film, first patterns at a first wiring pitch and second
patterns at a second wiring pitch wider than the first
wiring pitch, and etching the metal film with a plasma of a
mixture gas containing a Cl₂ gas, a BCl₃ gas and a CH₂Cl₂
gas.

14. (currently amended) The [[A]] manufacturing
method of a semiconductor device, which comprises forming
metal films over a semiconductor substrate by stacking a

first TiN film, an Al film and a second TiN film one after another, and etching said first TiN film, said Al film, and second TiN film the metal films with a plasma of a mixture gas containing a Cl₂ gas, a BCl₃ gas and an additive gas obtained by diluting a CH₂Cl₂ gas with a dilution gas, wherein the mole concentration of the CH₂Cl₂ gas after dilution with the dilution gas is 10% to 100%.

15. (currently amended) The [[A]] manufacturing method of a semiconductor device, which comprises depositing a metal film made of including an aluminum alloy over a semiconductor substrate, and etching the metal film with a plasma formed, in a plasma etching system for generating a plasma by using an UHF-range electromagnetic wave, from a mixture gas containing a Cl₂ gas, a BCl₃ gas and a CH₂Cl₂ gas.